

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART
ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

[Balsley, John G.]

MAY 2 1974

Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on Cleveland Artists.

FULL NAME: JOHN G. BAISLEY

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: APRIL 15, 1944 CLEVELAND, OHIO

PRIMARY MEDIA _____

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc.:

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

DES MOINES ART CENTER, UNIV OF IOWA
JOSLYN MUSEUM, OMAHA / OHIO STATE ^{UNIV.} LIMA CAMPUS, BALL STATE UNIV. MUNCIE, IND.
MUSEUM OF ART

SEVERAL PRIVATE COLLECTIONS - MANY IN KANSAS CITY, MO.

AWARDS:

PRESENT POSITION:

We would appreciate any information regarding subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships.
Thank you for your cooperation.

John Balsley

Born, Cleveland, Ohio, April 15, 1944

Lives, Des Moines, Iowa

Studied, Ohio Northern University, B.A., 1967

University of The Americas, Mexico, 1965

Northern Illinois University, M.F.A., 1969

Traveled, Mexico, 1965, Europe, 1970-71

Artist in Residence, Ohio State University, Lima campus, Apr., 1970

Presently, Assistant Professor of Art, Drake University

Selected One Man Exhibitions:

Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio, 1968

College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, 1967

Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois, 1969

Fairweather Hardin Gallery, Chicago, 1969, 1971

Cedar Rapids Art Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 1970-71

Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, 1971

Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, 1971

Henri Gallery, Washington, D.C., 1971

Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines, Iowa, 1972

Allan Stone Gallery, New York, 1972 (1974 show scheduled)

Morgan Gallery, Kansas City (1974 show scheduled)

ALLAN STONE Gallery, N.Y. 1974 (MAY)

Selected Group Exhibitions:

Cleveland Museum of Art, 1966, 67, 68, 71, 73, Toledo Museum of Art,

1965, 66, 67, 68, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, 1968-69,

Notre Dame University, 1969, Indiana State University, 1970,

Purdue University, 1970, University of Illinois, 1969, Beloit

College, 1968, Joslyn Art Museum, 1970, 72, Nelson Museum of Art,

1970, City Art Museum of St. Louis, 1970, David Stuart Gallery,

1970, Allan Stone Gallery, N.Y., 1970, 1972, Fairweather Hardin

Gallery, 1972, Henri Gallery, Washington, D.C., 1972, 73,

United States Information Agency American Artists Group Shows,

Germany, 1972, Poland 1973, Yugoslavia, 1973, Hungary, 1973,

(work invited for U.S.I.A. exhibits in Czechoslovakia and

Romania 1974), Washburn University American Painting Invitational,

1972, 73, Hudson River Museum, N.Y., 1971, Jack Glenn Gallery, Calif.,

1973

Grants:

Drake university Research Grant 1969-70

Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Artist Fellowship, 1972

National Endowment for the Arts, Artist Grant, 1972

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1973

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: CLEVELAND, OHIO APRIL 15, 1944

PRIMARY MEDIA SCULPTURE AND PAINTING

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc.:

OHIO NORTHERN UNIV. DRAKE UNIV. RESEARCH COUNCIL GRANT 1970
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIV. TIFFANY FOUNDATION GRANT 1972
UNIV. OF AMERICAS, MEXICO, D.F. NATIONAL ENDOWMENT ARTIST FELLOWSHIP 1973

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

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ATTACHED

AWARDS:

PRESENT POSITION:

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ART, DRAKE UNIVERSITY

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Thank you for your cooperation.

John G. Balsley

Born Cleveland, Ohio, April 15, 1944

Lives Des Moines, Iowa
Assistant Professor of Art
Drake University

Studied Ohio Northern University, B.A., 1967
University of The Americas, Mexico, D. F., 1965
Northern Illinois University, M.F.A., 1969

Traveled Europe, Mexico

Selected One Man Shows:

Allan Stone Gallery, New York, 1972 (New York Rep.)
Henri Gallery, Washington, D.C., 1971
Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines , Iowa , 1972
Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio, 1968
Fairweather Hardin Gallery, Chicago, 1969, 1971
College of Wooster, Ohio, 1967
Northern Illinois University, Illinois, 1969
Drake University, Iowa, 1970
Simpson College, Iowa 1971
Grinnell College, Iowa, 1971

Selected Group Exhibitions:

Cleveland Museum of Art, 1966, 67, 68, 71, Toledo Museum of Art,
1965, 66, 67, 68, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, 1968-69,
City Museum of St. Louis, 1970, Nelson Atkins Museum, Kansas
City, 1970, Joslyn Art Museum, 1970, 1972, Beloit College, 1968,
Indiana St. University, 1970, Purdue University, 1970, Univer-
sity of Illinois, 1969, Notre Dame University, 1969, Fairweather
Hardin Gallery, 1969, 70, David Stuart Gallery, Los Angeles, 1970,
Henri Gallery, Washington, D.C., 1971, 72, 73, U.S.I.A. Exhibitions,
Berlin Germany, 1972, Poland 1972, Budapest 1973, Zagreb, 1973,
Allan Stone Gallery, 1970, 71, Drake University, 1969, 70, 71, 72,
Des Moines Art Center, 1970, 71, 72.

Collections:

Joslyn Museum, Omaha, Butler Institute of American Art, Ball State
University, Northern Illinois University, Canton Art Institute, (O.),
Ohio State University, College of Wooster, C.F. Murphy Architects
Associates, Chicago, American Republic Insurance Co., D.M., Ia.

Grants-Fellowships

Drake University Research Council Grant 1970
Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Fellowship 1972
National Endowment for the Arts, Artist Fellowship 1973

1966

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear

Mr. Balsley

We are trying to build a biographical record of Cleveland Artists for reference. May we enlist your assistance with the following data?

FULL NAME: John Gerald Balsley

MEDIA: Mixed Sculpture

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: April 15, 1944

Cleveland, Ohio

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc: Currently attending Ohio Northern

University, plan to attend graduate school immediately upon graduation.

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

The Butler Institute of American Art,
Youngstown, Ohio

The Erie Art Center,
Erie, Pennsylvania

AWARDS:

PRESENT POSITION:

We would greatly appreciate it if you would inform us of subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ann Zvezdov Lurie ec
Assistant Curator of Paintings

- *May 1964- Lima Art Association 12th Annual Spring Exhibition,
Lima, Ohio. 1st Prize and Landscape Memorial Award
- Jan.-Feb. 1965- The Butler Institute of American Art 17th Annual.
Ohio Ceramic and Sculpture Show, Youngstown,
Ohio.
- *Feb. 1965- The Canton Jewish Community Center Exhibition, Canton,
Ohio. Honorable Mention Award.
- *March 1965- 16th Annual University of the Americas Plastic Arts
Exhibition, El Institution Mexicano-Norteamericano
de Relaciones Culturales, Mexico City, Mexico. 3rd
Prize Award, Painting.
- May 1965- Lima Art Association 13th Annual Spring Exhibition,
Lima, Ohio.
- *May 1965- Erie Art Association 42nd Annual May Show, Erie, Penn.
Purchase Prize Award.
- May 1965- Toledo Area Artists 47th Annual Exhibition Toledo
Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio.
- *August 1965- Edinboro Summer Gallery Exhibition, Edinboro, Penn.
(Invited) 2nd Prize Graphics, 3rd Prize Sculpture.
- August 1965- The Ohio State Fair Fine Art Exhibition, Columbus,
Ohio.
- *Jan.-Feb. 1966- The Butler Institute of American Art 18th Annual
Ohio Ceramic and Sculpture Show, Youngstown, Ohio
Purchase Prize-Sculpture.
- April-May 1966- The 48th Annual Exhibition Artists of The Western
Reserve, (May Show) The Cleveland Museum of Art,
Cleveland, Ohio.

- *May 1966- Erie Art Association 43rd Annual May Show, Erie, Penn.
Honorable Mention.
- *May 1966- Toledo Area Artists 48th Annual Exhibition, Toledo
Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio. 2nd Award, Class A.
Exhibited at Ohio Northern 1963, 1964, and 1966.
- June-August 1966- Invited to Exhibition In Art in American Em-
* denotes awards bassies Exhibition of The Toledo Museum of Art,
Toledo, Ohio.

* denotes awards

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THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear

John Balsley

We are trying to build a biographical record of Cleveland Artists for reference.
May we enlist your assistance with the following data?

FULL NAME: John GERALD BALSLEY MEDIA: MIXED MEDIA SCULPTURE

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: CLEVELAND OHIO (WELDED STEEL-E-POXY)
4/15/44

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc:

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY

ATTENDED UNIV. OF AMERICAS
MEXICO, D.F., WINTER 1965

1967-68 ASSISTANTSHIP - NORTHERN ILLINOIS
UNIVERSITY

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

(CONTINUED FROM LAST YEAR'S QUESTIONNAIRE)

- * 1966 - TOLEDO AREA ARTISTS 48TH EXHIBITION TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART
- 1966 - U.S. STATE DEPT ART IN THE EMBASSIES PROGRAM, (INVITED) TOLEDO MUSEUM
- 1966 - THE BUTLER INSTITUTE OF AM. ART 31ST NAT'L MIDYEAR PAINTING SHOW
- 1966 - OHIO STATE FAIR
- 1966 - CANTON ART INSTITUTE, 19TH ANNUAL FALL SHOW
- 1967 - THE BUTLER INSTITUTE OF AM. ART, SCULPTURE CERAMIC SHOW (INVITED)

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

THE BUTLER INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN ART, YOUNGSTOWN
THE ERIE ART ASSOCIATION, ERIE, PA.
GALLERY ONE, FINDLAY, OHIO
RITTENHOUSE CHRYSLER, MAUMEE, OHIO

AWARDS: * 2ND PRIZE SCULPTURE

* BEST OF SHOW AWARD

PRESENT POSITION:

STUDENT

SEPT. - ASSISTANT - NORTHERN ILLINOIS

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1967 TOLEDO MUSEUMS 49TH ANNUAL

1967 CLEVE. MAY SHOW

Ann J. Luise
Assistant Curator of Paintings

1966-1967 EXHIBITED BOWIE SCULPTURE STUDIO, NEW YORK CITY

1967 TWO MAN EXHIBITION, GALLERY I, FINDLAY, OHIO

1967 EXHIBITED OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY ONE MAN COMPREHENSIVE

1967 " BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIV, UNIV. UNION SHOW

* 1967 O.N.U. STUDENT SHOW

1967 SEPTEMBER ONE MAN SHOW CANTON ART INSTITUTE

1967 WOOSTER COLLEGE, ONE MAN SHOW
OCTOBER

BALSLEY, JOHN GERALD

Born April 15, 1944 in Cleveland, Ohio. He is currently attending Ohio Northern University. Some of the exhibits he has shown in are Lima Art Association 12th Annual Spring Exhibition receiving 1st prize; Erie Art Association 42nd Annual May Show, purchase prize award; The Butler Institute of American Art 18th Annual Ohio Ceramic and Sculpture Show, purchase prize-sculpture; and etc. Collections which now include his work are The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio and The Erie Art Center, Erie, Pennsylvania.

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

MAY SHOW QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear

We are trying to build a biographical record of Cleveland Artists for reference. May we enlist your assistance with the following data?

FULL NAME: JOHN GERALD BALSLEY MEDIA: SCULPTURE (MIXED)

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 4/15/44 CLEVELAND, OHIO

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc;

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF THE AMERICAS (MEXICO CITY, D.F.)
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

AWARDS:

PRESENT POSITION:

INSTRUCTOR OF ART - DRAKE UNIVERSITY - DES MOINES, IOWA

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Petunia Wint
Director of the May Show

JOHN G. BALSLEY

RESUME OF EXHIBITION ACTIVITIES SINCE 1964

GALLERIES

Affiliated: Fairweather Hardin Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
David Stuart Galleries, Los Angeles, California

HENRI GALLERIES, WASHINGTON D.C.

One Man Show: Fairweather Hardin, November, 1969

Fairweather Hardin, February 1971

HENRI 1, WASHINGTON D.C., MAY-JUNE 1971

Group Shows: David Stuart, July-August, 1970

New Gallery, Cleveland, Ohio, December, 1969

ALLAN STONE GALLERY, NYC, SUMMER 1970

MAJOR INVITATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

HENRI gallery 2, WASHINGTON D.C., MARCH-MAY 1971

Contemporary Midwest Artists, Notre Dame University, South Bend, Ind.
April, 1969 (Show included Burford, Castro-Cid, Johnson, Cohen, Saul,
Zeisler)

The Museum of Contemporary Art "Violence in Recent American Art",
November 1968 - January 1969, Chicago, Illinois (Show included Dine,
Rauschenberg, Warhol, Kienholz, Lichtenstein, Mallery, and Indiana)

Fairweather Hardin Gallery "Figure in Art", Chicago, Illinois
February - March 1969 (Show included Manzu, Marini, Moore, Giacometti,
Hunt, Paolozzi)

The University of Illinois Contemporary American Painting and Sculpture
Biennial, The Krannert Museum of Art, Urbana, Illinois, March - April 1969
(Show included DeKooning, Wyeth, Altoon, Greene, Goodnough, Pearlstein,
Saul, Thiebaud, O'Keeffe, etc.)

"Cyclemania, An Exhibition Showing the Motorcycle as a Contemporary
Folk Art", The Madison Art Center, Madison, Wisconsin, December - January,
1970

The Purdue Department of Creative Arts Invitation Exhibition, Purdue
University, West LaFayette, Indiana, January - February, 1970 (Show
included Agostini, Bertoia, Gallo, Gussow, Hunt, Oldenburg, Saul, Von
Neuman, H.C. Westerman)

1870-1970 Centennial Exhibition of Contemporary Art, Turman Art Gallery,
Indiana State University, February - March 1970 (Show included Anuszkiewicz,
Bechtle, Greene, Saul, Wiley, Gallo, McGarrell, Stanczak)

ONE MAN SHOWS

March, 1967	Two Man Exhibition, Gallery One, Findlay, Ohio
September, 1967	One Man Exhibit, The Canton Art Institute, Canton, Ohio
October, 1967	Three Man Exhibition, The college of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio
March, 1968	Two Man Exhibit, The Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio
April, 1969	Two Man Show, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Ill.
November, 1969	Fairweather-Hardin Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
February, 1970	Two Man Exhibit, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa
November, 1970	Cedar Rapids Art Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
February, 1971	Fairweather-Hardin Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
February, 1971	Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa

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PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

HENRI 2, WASHINGTON DC

The Butler Institute of American Art
The Canton Art Institute
Drake University
The Erie Art Association
C. F. Murphy Architects Associates
Northern Illinois University
Ohio State University
The College of Wooster

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

Also included in Several Private Collections

AMERICAN REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES

GRANTS

Recipient \$1,000.00 Drake University Research
Council Grant, January, 1970

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Ohio State University, Lima Campus, April, 1970

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITIONS (* DENOTES AWARDS)

MAY *1964, 1965	Lima Art Association, 12th and 13th Annual Spring Shows, Lima, Ohio 1st Prize Painting Landscape Memorial Award
February *1965	The Canton Jewish Community Center, Canton, Ohio Honorable Mention Painting
March *1965	16th Annual University of The Americas Plastic Arts Exhibition, El Instituto Mexicano-Norte Americano de Relaciones Culturales, Mexico D.F., Mexico 3rd Prize Painting
May *1964, *1966, 1967, *1968	The Erie Art Association 43rd, 44th, 45th 46th Annual May Shows, Erie, Penn. Purchase Prize Sculpture Honorable Mention Sculpture Honorable Mention Sculpture and \$500.00 Purchase Prize
August-September 1965, 1966	The Ohio State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Columbus, Ohio
January-February 1965, *1966, 1967, 1968, 1969	The Butler Institute of American Art 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st Annual Ohio Ceramic and Sculpture Exhibitions, Youngstown, Ohio (1965 Show included Frank Gallo) Purchase Prize Sculpture 1966 Invited 1967 and 1968
August *1965	Edinboro Summer Gallery Exhibition, Edinboro, Penn. Invited 2nd Prize Graphics 3rd Prize Sculpture
May 1965, *1966, 1967, *1968	Toledo Area Artists 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th Annual May Show, The Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio 2nd Prize Sculpture \$300.00 1st Prize Sculpture
May-June 1966, 1967 *1968 *1971	The 48th, 49th, 50th ⁵² Annual Western Reserve May Show, The Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, Ohio Juror's Mention Sculpture " SPECIAL MENTION
July-September 1966	The Butler Institute of American Art, 31st National Midyear Painting Show, Youngstown, Ohio

October
*1966, *1967
*1968, 1969

The Canton Art Institute 19th, 20th, 21st
Annual Fall Shows, Canton, Ohio

EXHIBITIONS

June-August
1966

The U.S. State Department Art in the Embassies
Program, Toledo Museum of Art
Invited

June-December
1966

Exhibited at The Bowie Sculpture Center
New York City

April-June
1968

May Show Retrospective 50 Years,
The Cleveland Museum of Art
(Show included Roy Lichtenstein and Richard
Anuskievich)

Invited

June
*1968, *1969
1970

Erie Summer Festival of The Arts, Pennsylvania
State University, Behrend Campus, Erie, Penn.
\$300.00 Prize Sculpture
\$700.00 1st Prize Sculpture

February
*1968

Annual Beloit Vicinity Exhibition, Beloit College,
Beloit, Wisconsin
Popular Award Sculpture

April
1968

Northern Illinois Graduate Exchange Exhibition,
School of The Art Institute of Chicago

November
*1968

Annual Wisconsin State University Tri-State
Painting Exhibition, Plateville, Wisconsin
Honorable Mention Painting

March
1969 1971

15th Annual Drawing and Small Sculpture Show,
Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana
PURCHASE PRIZE SCULPTURE

November
1969

32nd Annual Fall Show, Sioux City Art Center
(painting) Sioux City, Iowa

February-March
1970

Joslyn Art Museum, 11th Midwest Biennial
Omaha, Nebraska

February-March
1970

The Akron Art Institute 47th Annual Juried
Exhibition, Akron, Ohio

February
1970

Group Show from Purdue Invitational, Wabash
College, Crawfordsville, Indiana
Invited

May-June
1970

22nd Iowa Artists Annual, Des Moines Art
Center, Des Moines, Iowa

May-June
1970

Mid America 3, The Nelson Atkins Museum,
Kansas City, Missouri

May-June
*1970

Cuyahoga Community College Invitational,
Cleveland, Ohio
\$150.00 Prize, Sculpture

July-August
1970

Mid America 3, City Art Museum of St. Louis
St. Louis, Missouri

November
1970

40th Annual Exhibition Springfield Art Museum
Springfield, Missouri
Painting

MAY 1971

INVITED TO EXHIBIT IOWA STATE UNIV.
DESIGN CENTER FOUN SCULPTURES SHOW